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TAGS:

SUBJECT: AMOCO CADIZ OIL SPILL OFF BRITTANY COAST

1. PRESS REPORTS LIBERIAN-REGISTERED TANKER AMOCO CADIZ HAS
BROKEN IN HALF AFTER GROUNDING NEAR BREST, SPILLING LARGE
QUANTITIES OF LIGHT CRUDE OIL.

2. SEVERAL U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, PARTICULARLY THE
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA), THE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) AND THE COAST GUARD
OFTEN DESIRE TO DISPATCH SPILLED OIL RESEARCH TEAMS TO
STUDY MAJOR OIL SPILLS AND THEIR EFFECTS. THESE AGENCIES
ARE CONSIDERING REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO DISPATCH A TEAM
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TO THE BRITTANY SPILL ALTHOUGH A FINAL DETERMINATION HAS NOT
REPEAT NOT BEEN MADE. U.S. TEAM WOULD OF COURSE SHARE
RESULTS OF ITS EFFORTS WITH APPROPRIATE GOF AUTHORITIES.
FOR OPTIMAL RESEARCH RESULTS, THE TEAM WO(LD DESIRE TO
LEAVE WITHIN THE NEXT 36 HOURS IF THE DECISION IF TO GO.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO KEEP DEPARTMENT(OES/OFA/OCA)

ADVISED OF CURRENT INFORMATION AS TO CONDITION OF TANKER
AND NATURE OF SPILL, AND TO MAKE PRELIMINARY FEELERS WITH
APPROPRIATE GOF AUTHORITIES AS TO RECEPTIVENESS TO U.S.
RESEARCH TEAM STUDYING SPILL. DEPARTMENT WILL ADVISE ASAP

IF IT IS DECIDED TO REQUEST AUTHORITY FOR TEAM VISIT AND
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THE TEAM MIGHT CONSIST OF. IT IS
UNDERSTOOD THAT AN OPERATIONS CENTER HAS BEEN SET UP AT
BREST AT THE CENTRE NATIONALE POUR EXPLOITATION DES
OCEANS (CNEXO), WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN SUGGESTED AS A POS-
SIBLE SOURCE OF LOGISTIC ASSISTANCE FOR A U.S. TEAM. VANCE

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